

**South Carolina  
Small Business Awards Luncheon - 2006  
Held on April 18, 2006 at the Marriott Hotel  
1200 Hampton Street. Columbia, SC 29201  
(803) 771-7000**

**Presented by:**

South Carolina Chamber of Commerce and The South Carolina Coalition for Small Business and Entrepreneurship

**2006 Small Business Award Winners:**

**South Carolina Small Business Person of the Year**

Patricia Owen – FACES DaySpa

**South Carolina Small Business Person of the Year Runner-up**

Amanda T. Somers – Sports, Spine & Industrial, Inc.

**South Carolina Small Business Person of the Year Runner-up**

Lance Owens - Sports, Spine & Industrial, Inc.

**South Carolina Small Business Person of the Year Runner-up**

Darlene Pope - Sports, Spine & Industrial, Inc.

**South Carolina Family-Owned Business of the Year**

**Regional Family-Owned Business of the Year**

Ted O. McGee, Jr. – McGee Real Estate Company, Inc.

**South Carolina Small Business Exporter of the Year**

José and Christine Montés – Caromex International, Inc.

**South Carolina Small Business Partner of the Year**

Norman M. Paige – SCORE State Director

**South Carolina Small Business Advocate of the Year**

Alfred C. Jones- SC Employment Security Commission

**TOP LENDER AWARDS**

**Number of 7(a) Loans Approved**

Bank of America

Capital One, FSB

Business Development Corporation of SC

**Dollar Amount of 7(a) Loans Approved**

Business Development Corporation of SC

Business Carolina, Inc.

CIT Small Business Lending Corp.

**Number of 504 Loans Approved**

Certified Development Corporation

Appalachian Development Corporation

Small Business Assistance Corporation

**Dollar Amount of Approved 504 Loans**

Certified Development Corporation

Appalachian Development Corporation

Catawba Regional Development Corporation

**Top Lender Third Party 504 Loans**

The South Financial Group aka Carolina First

**South Carolina Collegiate Entrepreneurship Award**

**Presented by the Spiro Center at Clemson University**

First Place: Sara Beth Baxley – Sassy Mel's

Runner-Up: Matthew Warren – Pinestraw Plus